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- 23) [161399] Re: touch lamp woes..
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- 26) [161402] Re: FOXES for tomorrow night
by John Sielke <jsielke@pobox.com>
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- 28) [161404] Re: artificial ground tuning
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by "John H. Shannon" <johnshan@alltel.net>
- 30) [161406] Re: OT EyeBolts
by Lee Mairs <lmairs@direcway.com>
- 31) [161407] Re: a positive sign for BPL
by "AI2Q" <ai2q@adelphia.net>
- 32) [161408] Re: OT EyeBolts
by "Tim, N9PUZ" <n9puz@arrl.net>
- 33) [161409] RE: a positive sign for BPL
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- 35) [161411] Trail friendly packaging
by "Ron Pfeiffer" <n1zsw@hotmail.com>
- 36) [161412] Source for RF AGC Amplifier IC
by "Clint Hurd" <discobay@waypt.com>
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by Lloyd Lachow <llachow@yahoo.com>
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by ARDUJENSKI@aol.com
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by kwiike@gdls.com
- 40) [161416] Re: touch lamp woes..
by Bob KB2FEL <kb2fel@yahoo.com>
- 41) [161417] Re: Source for RF AGC Amplifier IC
by Brad Thompson <Brad.Thompson@valley.net>
- 42) [161418] Re: Source for RF AGC Amplifier IC
by "w8diz" <w8diz@cinci.rr.com>
- 43) [161419] Re: Source for RF AGC Amplifier IC

by Garey Barrell <k4oah@mindspring.com>
44) [161420] Re: Rare FOX sighting!!!
by "George, W5YR" <w5yr@att.net>
45) [161421] RE: a positive sign for BPL
by "Hare,Ed, W1RFI" <w1rfi@arrl.org>
46) [161422] Re: Source for RF AGC Amplifier IC
by Jim Pruitt <PruittJ@cwu.EDU>
47) [161423] RE: a positive sign for BPL::::update
by Jack e wigal <kr8z1@juno.com>
48) [161424] Re: Source for RF AGC Amplifier IC
by "Noyce, Bill" <william.noyce@hp.com>
49) [161425] Tilting the Elecraft KX1
by "Bruce Prior" <n7rr@hotmail.com>
50) [161426] Re: Trail friendly packaging
by Steven Weber <kd1jv@moose.ncia.net>
51) [161427] Re: Trail friendly packaging
by John Somerville <forthman@shaw.ca>
52) [161428] RE: a positive sign for BPL::::update
by "Hare,Ed, W1RFI" <w1rfi@arrl.org>
53) [161429] Re: touch lamp woes.. and
by "Charles Mabbott" <aa8vs@msn.com>
54) [161430] Island Pad Cutter Purchase
by Richard Dell <rx7d@cwru.edu>
55) [161431] Re: FOXES for tomorrow night
by Karl Larsen <k5di@zianet.com>
56) [161432] Re: a positive sign for BPL
by w9ya <w9ya@arrl.net>
57) [161433] Re: Island Pad Cutter Purchase
by Richard Dell <rx7d@cwru.edu>
58) [161434] Re: a positive sign for BPL::::update
by Dick Ballard <ballardr@att.net>
59) [161435] Re: a positive sign for BPL::::update
by Dick Ballard <ballardr@att.net>
60) [161436] A couple reasons in support of developing a DDS BFO and a couple for
NOT doing same...
by <bill@n4qa.com>
61) [161437] Re: Island Pad Cutter Purchase
by "Steve" <sswhite@mchsi.com>
62) [161438] Re: Source for RF AGC Amplifier IC
by M Taylor <mctylr@privacy.nb.ca>
63) [161439] Thanks for your help:
by "Jerry Ford" <benlightnd13@mchsi.com>
64) [161440] Kits For Sale
by "Harvey Mitchell" <hmitchell13@houston.rr.com>
65) [161441] Re: FOXES for tomorrow night
by "George, W5YR" <w5yr@att.net>

Date: Mon, 17 Nov 2003 18:37:39 -0600
From: "Stuart Rohre" <rohre@arlut.utexas.edu>
To: <benlightnd13@mchsi.com>, <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [161377] Rohn is alive and on a web site
Message-ID: <000301c3ad6c\$2bd37f20\$4e100a0a@rohredt2000>

Rohn filed Chap. 11 , which is reorganization, so they are still in business.

Just visited their web site.

They may or may not have the hardware, but Texas Towers stocks all the accessories for towers. Heavy duty Marine hardware, if you are near a seaport might be another option.

GL,
Stuart
K5KVH

Date: Mon, 17 Nov 2003 17:32:57 -0800 (PST)
From: Curt Milton <wb8yyy@yahoo.com>
To: sergio@philway.com
Cc: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [161378] Re: FOXES for tomorrow night
Message-ID: <20031118013257.4751.qmail@web21403.mail.yahoo.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

Sergio - maybe someone has answered your question already a bunch, but here goes -

what this guy is saying because he thinks the pile up of operators will start out big, he will operate split

what this means he will listen for replies about 1 or 2 kHz up from his transmit frequency - yes it means you have to transmit this much higher. the purpose is to remove the clutter of signals from his own freq so the person he is calling can hear ...

to work split you need a rig with two vfo's or a rig that has RIT (receiver incremental tuning). yes an hw8 (ok i see mine over there) lacks both.

but wait a minute! i think if you tune to the higher wrong reponse you will be in luck! i think this will allow you to transmit up 1.5 kHz which is what you want! i used this trick once with my 38S (a simple rig also) to work a dx station without having split. let's see if others on the list agree with this assessment knowing how an HW-8 works - but i remember that the high tuning position is the wrong one on this rig!

also note he said as pile up thins he will listen on frequency so then of course you would tune to the correct setting!

and soon your K1 will have the capability you need -- take your time and enjoy the building experience and you will be rewarded!

curt wb8yyy
ugly-weekender, 38S, TT1340, K2 ok i am still a novice at heart ...

--- "Sergio T. Ruiz" <sergio@philway.com> wrote:
> At 10:36 11/17/2003 -0800, you wrote:
> >below, one above 7.040. We'll both be listening up
> >about 1-2kHz, closing in on simplex as the evening
> >progresses, if appropriate. The low Fox will listen
>
> can someone explain how this works?
>
> i am not sure i understand it.. what do i need to do
> to get the foxs' (is
> this proper punctuation??) attention?
>
> can i play on my hw8?
>
> i have been getting lots of qsos on this rig, btw..
>
> i had to order a new soldering iron, too.. to build
> my k1... should be here
> in a day or so...
>
> whew!
>
>
>
> ----

> Sergio T. Ruiz
> technology and MIS
> Philway Products, Inc.
> (419) 281-7777 x232
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Date: Mon, 17 Nov 2003 21:38:21 -0500
From: "NZ8J" <nz8j@woh.rr.com>
To: <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [161379] WTB: Inexpensive 40m single bander
Message-ID: <039a01c3ad7d\$0a185570\$6400a8c0@NZ8J>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Looking for an inexpensive 40 meter single band cw rig. Doesn't have to be fancy, just work well. If you have something laying around you're not using and would like to sell it please send me details and your best price shipped to zip 45324

Thanks
Tim
NZ8J

Date: Mon, 17 Nov 2003 20:44:46 -0600
From: "Jay Bromley" <jayw5jay@cox-internet.com>
To: <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [161380] Re: myO'scope, QRP-L
Message-ID: <000301c3ad7d\$ed88f940\$24afb4d0@coxinternet.com>
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HI Rod and gang,

I am sure by now Ken is red face, but this is not the first time he has done something like this and like always Ken tries to be in shadows with no recognition. He has helped with Arkiecon in the past and also with our local QRP group. Ken is one of the true greats of ham radio and QRP!

Sorry Ken I couldn't resist! :-)

Congratulation Rod and good luck with getting more QRPers on the air!

Thank you both!!

73 de jay/w5jay..

Rod wrote:

Folks,

I'm getting a scope. A Tek 465 with probes and manuals. For the cost of shipping!

Yes that's correct, the cost of shipping!

My recent post for scope info yielded many offers to sell me a scope. (some I'm following though on, to help friends in the area)

The most amazing deal was from Ken, N9VV, mentioned above--a very hardy and sincere THANK YOU KEN.

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This incident proves beyond a shadow of doubt the quality of person that belongs to QRP-L, and the Ham community in general. I also like to believe that QRPers are a cut above. ;-) Folks on this list have been very good to me--responding thoughtfully to my requests for information; sending me rigs to fix or assemble allowing me to earn money to purchase a DSW-II; other matters, and now this scope deal....

* * *

It's payback time. Earlier this year I started repairing/building QRP rigs for a fee \$25-50 for monobanders, and \$100+ for K2s. Here's the [payback] deal: From now until Dec 31st, I will fix or build any simple rig for \$20; \$35 for a K2 no matter what the options. The fees include return postage. I'll even cover the cost of parts for rig repairs. It's that simple. And--If you are 65 or older and/or on a fixed income, I'll build your rig for free, all I ask is that you cover the cost of shipping.

Now, please don't all rush to pack up your gear and send it to me. That happened last time, got crowded in the basement. ;-) Please contact me to make arrangements.

So if you ever wanted on of these cool little rigs, but were unsure of your assembly skill here's your chance. I may even be able to complete a few simpler rigs before Christmas, for those who may want to give a gift to a friend or relative.

73, Rod N0RC

BTW: Build/fix references can be furnished upon request.

Date: Mon, 17 Nov 2003 23:13:52 -0500
From: sergio <sergio@village-buzz.com>
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [161381] artificial ground tuning
Message-ID: <5.2.1.1.0.20031117231114.03411fb0@mail.neobright.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; x-avg-checked=avg-ok-9D74CAB; charset=us-ascii;
format=flowed

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any ideas?

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From: sergio <sergio@village-buzz.com>
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [161382] touch lamp woes..
Message-ID: <5.2.1.1.0.20031117231355.0340a088@mail.neobright.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
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Date: Mon, 17 Nov 2003 22:36:08 -0600
From: "pschweit" <pschweit@mninter.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [161383] a positive sign for BPL
Message-ID: <004401c3ad8d\$7f0a95e0\$55e7add1@oemcomputer>

MIME-Version: 1.0
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charset="iso-8859-1"
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I have been watching the price of Ambient corp. (ABTG)

Its price went from \$0.30 just over a week ago to \$0.15 a share.

Could this be a good omen?

de K0CD

Rob

Date: Mon, 17 Nov 2003 22:40:39 -0600
From: "pschweit" <pschweit@mninter.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [161384] Noisy power supply problem
Message-ID: <004b01c3ad8e\$1ee6a860\$55e7add1@oemcomputer>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
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I have a power supply that is quite noisy on the 20 meter band.

It starts quite noisy when I first power it up. After it has warmed up it
does quiet down to below the band noise.

Where would the initial places be to troubleshoot this annoying problem.

De K0CD

Rob

Date: Mon, 17 Nov 2003 20:55:50 -0800
From: Adam Farson <farson@shaw.ca>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@LEHIGH.EDU>
Subject: [161385] RE: a positive sign for BPL
Message-ID: <BLEKJMCJB0EAAIECDNNCIEHMHIAA.farson@shaw.ca>
MIME-version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=iso-8859-1

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Hi Rob,

Perhaps their investors know something that we don't - such as information about a possible intervention by NTIA.

Here is some fairly good news from the ITU/IARU front. As I have commented before, I do not believe that Colin Powell will allow his #1 Son to defy the ITU.

Cheers for now, 73,
Adam VA7OJ/AB4OJ

>From the Radio Amateurs Of Canada (RAC) website: <http://www.rac.ca/news/>

Progress report on Broad Band over Power Line (BPL) Studies

During the past couple of weeks RAC VP Ken Pulfer, VE3PU, participated in meetings at the ITU in Geneva on behalf of the International Amateur Radio Union . One of the important topics discussed at the meetings, was the protection of radio systems from interference generated by the transmission of High Speed Data over the electrical power lines - commonly referred to in North America as BPL. With currently designed BPL systems, most of this interference is concentrated in the lower HF bands. VE3PU presented an IARU document expressing the concerns of radio amateurs, and proposing a course of action for setting protection limits.

There are really two different kinds of BPL to worry about, The first, is the use of the power wires to set up local area networks within a home, to allow computers and other electronic devices to communicate with each other without using additional wires or cables. In this case, the amateur receiving antenna is close enough in most cases to be in the near field of currents carried in the wiring, and the interference picked up can be S9 or greater.

The second case, when BPL is used to connect computers in a home to the Internet, uses the outdoor power wiring. In this case, the power lines can behave as radiating antennas at HF, and the interference may travel long distances, and may even be propagated by the ionosphere. Very little is known about this case, because the radiating characteristics of the power lines are not well understood. Some amateurs are worried about the cumulative effect of hundreds of thousands of power line radiators, adding up and raising the background noise all across the HF bands.

Amateurs are not alone in expressing concerns about BPL interference. Other radio users including Radio Astronomy, National Defence, Marine and

Aeronautical communications are also concerned.

These Geneva meetings were just first steps in a long process which we hope will eventually regulate the use of BPL internationally so as to minimize its effects on HF radio communications. In the meantime, of course, RAC will continue to work with Industry Canada to make sure that they are aware of our concerns and take them into account in setting up emission limit controls for BPL devices in Canada.

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From: "George, W5YR" <w5yr@att.net>
To: <sergio@village-buzz.com>,
 "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [161386] Re: artificial ground tuning
Message-ID: <02f701c3ad91\$4bb2fb70\$0401a8c0@PS>
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What you are experiencing sounds like "hand capacitance" and it is not good. What is happening is that the value of capacitance that is being put into the circuit with your hand in place on the knob is different when your hand is removed.

Now, the question is how far is "back out of whack?" If you mean that the meter changes a little bit, that might be normal for that product - I don't know. If the tuning changes so radically that the meter changes a great deal, then you have a problem with the instrument. Might be a good time to cal MFJ Customer Service.

73/72, George
Amateur Radio W5YR - the Yellow Rose of Texas
Fairview, TX 30 mi NE of Dallas in Collin county EM13QE
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w5yr@att.net

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To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Monday, November 17, 2003 10:13 PM

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From: "George, W5YR" <w5yr@att.net>
To: <sergio@village-buzz.com>,
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Subject: [161387] Re: touch lamp woes..
Message-ID: <02ff01c3ad91\$60735460\$0401a8c0@PS>
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Buy her another lamp.

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Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 05:07:42 -0000
From: "Juan Ferrari" <puntrad@usa.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>

Subject: [161388] SW40 happy dance.
Message-ID: <003c01c3ad91\$e6380500\$3e5e4b43@puntana.com>
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Hi Gang.
Finally after 4 days of CQing and answer CQs, Larry W2LJ answered my call and we had a difficult but nice QSO.
I was using the PAC 12 and he gave me 449. His K1 was a good 559 here in SFL.
I think I am putting 2.5 watts out measured with the RF probe to a DVM so I more than happy with this QSO .
I made the mod recommended by Rick (KC4A0N) and I can tune from 6999 to 7058 so this
is working fine. Always according to the RF probe there is a difference of 0.5 watts between 7000 (2.8W) and 7058 (2.3 W) so not a big deal.
I also included the RIT that Dennis (WB8WTU) and Jim (K8IQY) sent me and is working fine. I
still have to work a little with the resistors in the drain and source of the
2n7000 for having the pot centered and with the value of the condenser connected to L1 for having the right frequency span but it works and I'm having something like +kHz -kHz.
So to all who sent me answers to my questions many tnx.
CU on 40 Mts!!
72
Juan - KG4FSN

Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 05:28:47 -0000
From: "Goody K3NG" <k3ng@qrpis.org>
To: <pschweit@mninter.net>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [161389] OT: Re: a positive sign for BPL
Message-ID: <015101c3ad94\$e722f9e0\$0169a8c0@loyalsock>
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There's an investor discussion going on here
<http://ragingbull.lycos.com/mboard/boards.cgi?board=ABTG>

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From: "pschweit" <pschweit@mninter.net>

To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>

Sent: Tuesday, November 18, 2003 04:36

Subject: a positive sign for BPL

> I have been watching the price of Ambient corp. (ABTG)

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> Its price went from \$0.30 just over a week ago to \$0.15 a share.

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> Could this be a good omen?

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> de K0CD

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> Rob

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Date: Mon, 17 Nov 2003 23:31:39 -0600

From: "pschweit" <pschweit@mninter.net>

To: <farson@shaw.ca>,

"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>

Subject: [161390] Re: a positive sign for BPL::::update

Message-ID: <005701c3ad95\$3fe35020\$55e7add1@oemcomputer>

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and now the real joke from a frustrated day trader>>>

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I defiantly thought about it!!!! HI HI

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From: Adam Farson <farson@shaw.ca>

To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>

Sent: Monday, November 17, 2003 10:55 PM

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Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 00:48:00 -0500

From: Peter Burbank <peterlee@qx.net>

To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>

Subject: [161391] Re: Noisy power supply problem

Message-ID: <5.2.0.9.0.20031118004444.00a22ce0@mail.qx.net>

Mime-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

At 11:40 PM 11/17/2003, pschweit wrote:

>I have a power supply that is quite noisy on the 20 meter band.

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>It starts quite noisy when I first power it up. After it has warmed up it
>does quiet down to below the band noise.

>Where would the initial places be to troubleshoot this annoying problem.

>

>De K0CD

>Rob

I would start by making sure all the ground connections were tight and clean.
Pete NV4V

Date: Mon, 17 Nov 2003 22:13:12 -0800 (PST)
From: Nelson Winter <thenels@go.com>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [161392] Re: QRPacificon Compendiums (got it)
Message-ID: <665975.1069135992913.JavaMail.thenels@gomailjtp01>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=iso-8859-1
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Got it today-

Nice work.

Wished I could have been there to see/experience the QRP forums first hand but this'll have to suffice for now.

Nelson
WB6DWD

-----Original Message-----
From: "Doug Hendricks"<ki6ds@dpol.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion"<qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Date: Wed Nov 12 09:15:57 PST 2003
Subject: QRPacificon Compendiums Picked Up From Printers

>Guys I picked up the pre-ordered QRPacificon Compendiums from the printer
>yesterday, and I will prepare them for mailing today, and they will go to
>the post office tomorrow. We are sending out 78 of them. Please do not ask
>if there are any left, sorry they are all gone and there will not be any
>more printed. The window for ordering closed on Nov. 3. Thanks to the
>authors who contributed. I hope that you enjoy the compendium, and that it
>will encourage you to attend a live QRP Forum this year sponsored by the
>AmQRP. We have 6 AmQRP co-sponsored QRP Forums planned in 2004, and they
>are in all parts of the country. I encourage you to make plans to attend as
>many as you can. 72, Doug
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Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 01:21:33 -0500

From: Steven Weber <kd1jv@moose.ncia.net>

To: pschweit@mninter.net,

"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>

Subject: [161393] Re: Noisy power supply problem

Message-ID: <3.0.6.32.20031118012133.007aac40@mailhost.ncia.net>

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If it's a switching supply, I'd bet it's an electrolytic starting to go bad. Could be anyone of them, but often it's on the line side and is used in starting up the supply. Heating up the top of each cap with the tip of a soldering iron can help identify which one (but be careful and don't use an iron with a grounded tip!)

If it's not a switcher, maybe a diode going bad? Might be easier to get a new supply than to find out what's making the noise!

72,

Steve, KD1JV

"Melt Solder"

White Mountains of New Hampshire

<http://www.qsl.net/kd1jv/>

Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 06:57:27 -0800

From: "W2WU" <w2wurjj@verizon.net>

To: <pwhelton@earthlink.net>,

"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>

Subject: [161394] Re: OT EyeBolts

Message-ID: <002b01c3ade4\$636c5a60\$39fb998d@vaio>

MIME-Version: 1.0

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Ask your power company line crews. They have great hardware & usually help.
They even supplied/installed a 45 pole and my antennas
me. All at no charge! 73, W2WU

----- Original Message -----

From: "Pat Whelton" <pwhelton@earthlink.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: 17 November, 2003 12:52
Subject: Re: OT Help:

> Jerry. You might try a mobile home sales outlet. They should have
> something they use for tie downs that might fit your needs.

>
> Good luck.
> Pat - KZ5J

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> ----- Original Message -----

> From: "Jerry Ford" <benlightnd13@mchsi.com>
> To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
> Sent: Monday, November 17, 2003 12:20 PM
> Subject: OT Help:

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> > OK folks: I'm blown up here.

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> > sink in the concrete for my tower base. I've been to Lowes, Home
> > Depot, Ace Hardware, Shamrock Bolts etc and I'm not coming up with
> > anything as big as what I need.

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> > Rohn is now out of business so I can't go to them and probably
> > wouldn't anyway due to cost. Where does one find an eye bolt
> > that's at least 3/4 by 18". Thread doesn't matter but I would
> > think these things would need to be galvanized.

> >
> > What cha think folks??

> >
> > 73 Jerry N0JRN

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> > FP # 546, 4SQRP, ARS # 923, ARCI # 11049, ARRL,
> > Springfield, Mo. MP + #8

> > <http://home.mchsi.com/~n0jrn>

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Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 12:32:29 GMT
From: Kevin Anderson <k9iua@juno.com>
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [161395] SS last Sunday
Message-ID: <20031118.043312.9511.226495@webmail08.lax.unttd.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain

Got on 15 meters for 3 hours on Sunday afternoon to see what I could do in the ARRL SSB Sweepstakes contest. Had to operate stationary mobile, as I don't have a fixed station at home at the moment.

Conditions were tough for me. Managed only 27 contacts in the 3 hours, with only 15 multipliers. I did manage to work MAR, NL, PR, and VI for effort, so I am pleased. There is much chatter on the CQ-Contest reflector about the phenomenon of one-way propagation, which seemed to plagued the more northern stations. While I can't say I experienced one-way propagation, it did feel like my signal was refracting very sharply and focused to a narrow band at the other end, with the skip zone very broad and dead. Heard lots of California and Florida that were very strong, with little else. Lots of folks on CQ-Contest are reporting this last weekend as the worst conditions ever in recent history for phone Sweeps.

Cheers/73,
Kevin, K9IUA

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Kevin Anderson, K9IUA, Dubuque IA
k9iua (at) juno (dot) com
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From: "Steve Yates - AA5TB" <aa5tb@arrl.net>
To: "QRP-L Distribute" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [161396] Re: touch lamp woes..
Message-ID: <000301c3add0\$5eba0d00\$0100a8c0@MAIN>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Sergio,

I agree with George, get rid of the touch lamp. You will also probably find that the touch lamp generates broadband noise roughly 100 kHz wide every 200 kHz, even when it's off (still plugged in of course).

They are so EMI/RFI prone that it is usually more trouble then it is worth to try and cure them. Been there, done that.

73,
Steve Yates - AA5TB

<http://www.qsl.net/aa5tb/>

Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 06:01:39 -0700
From: Tim Groat <tcgroat@earthlink.net>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [161397] Re: OT: Tower Base (was Help:)
Message-ID: <5.1.1.6.2.20031118055111.00a241f0@mail.earthlink.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

I'd bite the bullet and call up Rohn dealers, looking for material still in stock. Inquire on the contesting.com "towertalk" reflector (yeah, I know, that's QRO city) and you should get some good leads. Otherwise, you'll want a qualified structural engineer to recommend something that will hold up. A tower base failure has dangerous consequences; it's no place for makeshift parts.

72,
--Tim (KR0U)

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From: Mark Milburn <mark.milburn@ispwest.com>
To: QRP-L Reflector <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [161398] Iowa QRP Club CW Net
Message-ID: <3FBA188C.1090109@ispwest.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii; format=flowed
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The Iowa QRP Club CW Net will be held on or around 3.709 Wednesday night
at 8 PM Iowa time, or Thursday morning 0100Z.

Join us if you can.

72 Mark KQ0I
Des Moines, Iowa

Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 09:04:29 -0400
From: Reed Park <reedpark@nbnet.nb.ca>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [161399] Re: touch lamp woes..
Message-ID: <3FBA18DD.B961B535@nbnet.nb.ca>
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Doing a search for "touch lamp rfi" at <http://www.google.com>
resulted in many web site url's dealing with the cure. Here are only
two that looked pretty good.

<http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/pdf/59378.pdf>

<http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/touchlamp.html>

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Reed - VE1NU

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ARROW Research (Avro CF-105)
Reed Park
252 Gauvin Road
Dieppe, New Brunswick
Canada E1A1M1

Amateur Radio V E 1 N U
WW II, # 19 SET user
Paraset replica builder and owner of a real one.

Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 08:38:22 -0500
From: "Hare,Ed, W1RFI" <w1rfi@arrl.org>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [161400] RE: a positive sign for BPL
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Actually, from what I have seen on the ABTG discussion board on =

ragingbull.com, the investors don't appear to be well informed. They =
call the ARRL web page a "Jihad" against BPL, without considering the =
reasons for the Jihad. They don't appear to be aware of the pending NTIA =
study, instead taking solace in the idea that ComEd wouldn't have =
invested all that money if there really was an interference problem. =
Etc., etc., etc.=20

There appear to be few hams there making some informational posts, =
though their input is not being well received. I do hope that any such =
participation is kept on a civil level by both sides, because many of =
these penny-stock investors are just regular Joe's, trying to make a =
money stocks. =20

73,=20
Ed Hare, W1RFI
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I could make is \$0.15. If it goes to a lowly dollar, I would be screwed. =
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Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 08:41:02 -0500
From: John Sielke <jsielke@pobox.com>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [161402] Re: FOXES for tomorrow night
Message-ID: <3FBA216E.3070203@pobox.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii; format=flowed
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>> i am not sure i understand it.. what do i need to do to get the foxs' (is
>> this proper punctuation??) attention?
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> There will be 2 fox stations. You will know their callsigns and
> about what frequency they are on. At 0200 UTC the 2 fox stations will
> call CQ and the Hounds (your a Hound) start calling a fox. When you work
> one fox you then work the second one.

Of course, sometimes you may work the second one, first, if the first
one is too weak. If you have 2 rigs, and are ambidexterous, you could
work them both at the same time.

>
> The fox will send you his rst state name power and then you send
> him the same things. When he sends you dit-dit your done.

In case he doesn't send "dit-dit" A good clue your(sic) done is when he
sends "QRZ FOX." Not everybody "dit-dits" It's a Texas/New Mexico thing.....

>
>>
>> can i play on my hw8?
>
> Heck yes! I think it has RIT and you need that because the fox
> wants you to call him about 1 KHz higher in frequency. Practice with the
> RIT ahead of time...:-)
>

Of course, if your HW-8 is unmodified, you do not have RIT. All is not
lost, as the last 30 minutes or so some foxii (correct plural) listen on
their own frequencies....or maybe you have a separate receiver?

Try it anyway. It is fun.

John W2AGN

Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 08:42:08 -0500
From: "Hare,Ed, W1RFI" <w1rfi@arrl.org>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [161403] RE: touch lamp woes..
Message-ID: <721D3436A7C2B344A301FD4A413C71A90251203D@kosh.arrlhq.org>
content-class: urn:content-classes:message
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: quoted-printable

Most touch lamps do that.

What little info available is at:

<http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/touchlamp.html>

73,=20
Ed Hare, W1RFI
ARRL Lab
225 Main St
Newington, CT 06111
Tel: 860-594-0318
Internet: w1rfi@arrl.org
Web: <http://www.arrl.org/tis>

> -----Original Message-----
> From: Steve Yates - AA5TB [mailto:aa5tb@arrl.net]
> Sent: Tuesday, November 18, 2003 7:35 AM
> To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion
> Subject: Re: touch lamp woes..
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>=20
> Sergio,
>=20
> I agree with George, get rid of the touch lamp. You will=20
> also probably
> find that the touch lamp generates broadband noise roughly=20
> 100 kHz wide
> every 200 kHz, even when it's off (still plugged in of course).
>=20
> They are so EMI/RFI prone that it is usually more trouble then it is
> worth to try and cure them. Been there, done that.
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> 73,
> Steve Yates - AA5TB
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> <http://www.qsl.net/aa5tb/>
>=20
>=20
>=20

Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 08:38:31 -0500
From: Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>
To: sergio@village-buzz.com
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [161404] Re: artificial ground tuning
Message-ID: <3FBA20D7.A5E0A0DC@erols.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I use the same ground tuner and have never experienced that problem. The capacitor is mounted on stand offs and has an insulated shaft. I would open up the box and carefully inspect the capacitor. You might have a cracked insulator or something.

73

Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 08:59:23 -0500
From: "John H. Shannon" <johnshan@alltel.net>
To: "FISTS maillist" <fists@mailman.qth.net>
Subject: [161405] QRP Contests by email
Message-ID: <001001c3addc\$2d465420\$032766a6@alltel.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="Windows-1252"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

A friend of mine asked me about an N2??? station who sent him a monthly email contest calendar. He thinks his name was Jim and he is a QRPer. I couldn't help him so I'm asking if anyone can help me/him and provide Jim's callsign and/or email address.

My friend had a virus that wiped out the info on his computer. Which prompts me to again suggest that all of you use something like MailWasher to protect yourself from email borne viruses. A link to MailWasher and other useful software is in the Links section of my website on the Useful Non-Ham Info page.

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73 - John, K3WWP - 100% CW & QRP  
using simple wire antennas.

<http://home.alltel.net/johnshan/>

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FISTS club - <http://www.fists.org>  
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Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 09:10:28 -0500  
From: Lee Mairs <lairs@direcway.com>  
To: w2wurjj@verizon.net,  
Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [161406] Re: OT EyeBolts  
Message-ID: <007001c3addd\$bcf052f0\$3b6d020a@boomer>  
MIME-version: 1.0  
Content-type: text/plain; charset=iso-8859-1  
Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT

Funny you mention them helping. I talked to a really nice young power company linemen yesterday to see if he would use his boom truck to help set a beam on my roof. He told me that the company would fire him if he used the boom truck to wash the siding at his own house. I assume it is all fear of litigation.

73 de Lee  
KM4YY/8

----- Original Message -----

From: "W2WU" <w2wurjj@verizon.net>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Sent: Tuesday, November 18, 2003 9:57 AM  
Subject: Re: OT EyeBolts

> Ask your power company line crews. They have great hardware & usually help.

> They even supplied/installed a 45 pole and my antennas  
> me. All at no charge! 73, W2WU

> ----- Original Message -----

> From: "Pat Whelton" <pwhelton@earthlink.net>  
> To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
> Sent: 17 November, 2003 12:52  
> Subject: Re: OT Help:

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> > Jerry. You might try a mobile home sales outlet. They should have  
> > something they use for tie downs that might fit your needs.

> >

> > Good luck.  
> > Pat - KZ5J  
> >  
> > ----- Original Message -----  
> > From: "Jerry Ford" <benlightnd13@mchsi.com>  
> > To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
> > Sent: Monday, November 17, 2003 12:20 PM  
> > Subject: OT Help:  
> >  
> >  
> > > OK folks: I'm blown up here.  
> > >  
> > > I need some ideas of where to go look for some big eye bolts to  
> > > sink in the concrete for my tower base. I've been to Lowes, Home  
> > > Depot, Ace Hardware, Shamrock Bolts etc and I'm not coming up with  
> > > anything as big as what I need.  
> > >  
> > > Rohn is now out of business so I can't go to them and probably  
> > > wouldn't anyway due to cost. Where does one find an eye bolt  
> > > that's at least 3/4 by 18". Thread doesn't matter but I would  
> > > think these things would need to be galvanized.  
> > >  
> > > What cha think folks??  
> > >  
> > > 73 Jerry N0JRN  
> > >  
> > >  
> > > FP # 546, 4SQRP, ARS # 923, ARCI # 11049, ARRL,  
> > > Springfield, Mo. MP + #8  
> > > <http://home.mchsi.com/~n0jrn>  
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Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 09:20:27 -0500  
From: "AI2Q" <ai2q@adelphia.net>  
To: <k3ng@qrpis.org>,  
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [161407] Re: a positive sign for BPL  
Message-ID: <001801c3addf\$1dd338c0\$7e01a8c0@hq.cmp.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

If I didn't have to register for Lycos (and get all its crap), I'd log on and point out to those investors that Amateur Radio isn't a hobby. It's a service under FCC rules.

Vy 73, AI2Q, Alex in Kennebunk, Maine QRP-L #687  
<http://users.adelphia.net/~alexmm/ai2q.htm>

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-----Original Message-----

From: owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU [mailto:owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU] On Behalf Of Goody K3NG  
Sent: Tuesday, November 18, 2003 12:29 AM  
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion  
Subject: OT: Re: a positive sign for BPL

There's an investor discussion going on here  
<http://ragingbull.lycos.com/mboard/boards.cgi?board=ABTG> ....

----- Original Message -----

From: "pschweit" <pschweit@mninter.net>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Sent: Tuesday, November 18, 2003 04:36  
Subject: a positive sign for BPL

> I have been watching the price of Ambient corp. (ABTG)  
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> Could this be a good omen?  
>  
> de K0CD  
>  
> Rob  
>  
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Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 08:40:18 -0600

From: "Tim, N9PUZ" <n9puz@arrl.net>  
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [161408] Re: OT EyeBolts  
Message-ID: <2003111884018.397701@EOS>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: quoted-printable

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I've never asked them about tower work but a lot of volunteer Fire=  
Departments are very helpful if you make a donation. A ladder truck could=  
be a handy antenna tool.

Tim, N9PUZ

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Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 06:54:23 -0800  
From: "Mark Rauchfuss" <mark.rauchfuss@worldnet.att.net>  
To: <ai2q@adelphia.net>,  
      "'Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion'" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [161409] RE: a positive sign for BPL  
Message-ID: <000001c3ade3\$dbcbe4e0\$a740570c@LIFEB00K>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
              charset="us-ascii"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Remember what Ed said; we must be civil and keep the tone below a shouting contest.

Once the tone of the debate (and in the eyes of the BPL constituents that's what it is) escalates beyond civility to shouting and insults, we are screwed.

The good lord gave us brains, and we must use them. He gave us mouths too and we must use our brains to control same.

Mark,  
WD7WEO

-----Original Message-----

From: owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU [mailto:owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU] On Behalf Of AI2Q

Sent: Tuesday, November 18, 2003 6:20 AM

To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion

Subject: Re: a positive sign for BPL

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> de K0CD

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> Rob

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Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 09:56:01 -0500  
From: "John H. Shannon" <johnshan@alltel.net>  
To: "FISTS maillist" <fists@mailman.qth.net>  
Subject: [161410] Email contest calendar  
Message-ID: <001801c3ade4\$1b565fa0\$66842845@alltel.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
                charset="Windows-1252"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Thanks to all who suggested N2CQ as the source of the email calendar. I was thinking of him, but my friend said the name was Jim, not Ken. Perhaps he had the name wrong. I've emailed him and am waiting for his answer to see if N2CQ was right.

Meanwhile if you do know of an N2 named Jim who does the same thing, let me know.

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Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 09:56:57 -0500  
From: "Ron Pfeiffer" <n1zsw@hotmail.com>  
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU



Subject: [161411] Trail friendly packaging  
Message-ID: <Law9-F23gzBx5XL7kb60000d527@hotmail.com>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; format=flowed

Since the cold weather is about to start I thought I might tinker with putting together next springs trail-package. Some immediate questions arouse:

1. Is plastic cases better than metal?
2. Better to have components for batt., radio, tuner, swr, watt meter or 1 box with all in it?
3. Is there a list of objects that should be in a toolkit for portable work?
4. Hard better than soft pouch or backpack for carrying equipment?

Any info would be appreciated.

Ron

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Concerned that messages may bounce because your Hotmail account is over limit? Get Hotmail Extra Storage! <http://join.msn.com/?PAGE=features/es>

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Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 07:53:18 -0800  
From: "Clint Hurd" <discobay@waypt.com>  
To: <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [161412] Source for RF AGC Amplifier IC  
Message-ID: <001f01c3adec\$16540cc0\$017dfea9@clinthur>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
                charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

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Specs needed  
Freq 1 - 30 mHz  
Gain 20 db  
AGC control 20db or better

Clint - KK7UQ

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Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 07:43:05 -0800 (PST)  
From: Lloyd Lachow <llachow@yahoo.com>  
To: sidebar a <Sidebar@vk2tips.com>,  
a low-energy group <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Cc: "Li'l Piggies" <fpqrp-l@mpna.com>  
Subject: [161413] Rare FOX sighting!!!  
Message-ID: <20031118154305.56929.qmail@web41012.mail.yahoo.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

I was able to sneak up on this li'l critter last night, as he readied himself to hand out pelts:

<http://f1.pg.briefcase.yahoo.com/bc/llachow/1st?.dir=/FOX+sighting&.view=1>

...don't be scared. he just LOOKS ferocious. He actually WANTS you to have his pelt.

See you tonight!

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Do you Yahoo!?  
Protect your identity with Yahoo! Mail AddressGuard  
<http://antispam.yahoo.com/whatsnewfree>

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Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 10:48:57 EST  
From: ARDUJENSKI@aol.com  
To: n1zsw@hotmail.com, qrp-l@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [161414] Re: Trail friendly packaging  
Message-ID: <1d7.1453ab1e.2ceb9969@aol.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Ron

You raise an interesting question regarding Trail Friendly Radios. Let me direct your attention first to a wealth of info available at ARS (Adventure Radio Society) website

<http://www.arsqrp.com/>. You are already probably familiar with this site,

Additionally take a look at searching ASP SEEK for related topics  
<http://qrp.kd4ab.org/cgi-bin/s.cgi>

One of the prolific cold weather backpackers is Bruce Prior N7RR in Bellingham WA and you may want to contact him directly.

Now here is my 2 cents. First you need to decide if you go hiking with radio in the colder and wetter environments 1-2 times or if weekly. Next what equipment do you have vs what you may want to purchase. In some cases carrying something like a Small Wonder radio in a baggy in a vest pocket of a camera or hunting vest may be a solution to keeping it dry and warm.

How much is your present radio affected by cold? Set it on the porch (dry area) overnight and see how it does in the morning. Note they make these chemical heat packs. You could wrap your radio case with a scarf or a designer cover and utilize these chemical packs for keeping the radio snug.

Portability is another issue that is a function of how often you plan to go out married with ease of operation. The new KX1 is not only lightweight but has a complete package so you don't have to carry a keyer and ATU separately. Almost a plug and play. Not sure how it does in colder weather but I am sure the testers will address that in their write-ups since environment is a key issue in TRAIL FRIENDLY

THERE IS PLASTIC AND THERE IS PLASTIC. Note there is a variety of plastics available. In some cases rubber type food storage containers might be utilized. Problem with metal is if you were munching down on a peanut butter and jelly sandwich and dripped some on the metal case and tried to lick it off in cold weather...well...need I say more (smile). You can always get a dive shop to sew you a simple cover out of neoprene dive suit material. It is both waterproof and has good insulating properties. They also make these waterproof plastic ammo boxes that are nice for field use but not long hikes.

In some cases wrapping a case in bubble wrap will both protect physically and thermally

What you do for an occasional outing and that for weekly expeditions are sometimes two different things.

Alan KB7MBI in Woodinville, WA  
FISTS 5702 / ARS / Proud member of ARRL  
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Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 11:01:35 -0500  
From: kwiki@gdls.com  
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU  
Subject: [161415] Michigan QRP Net Tonight  
Message-ID: <0FC7B766ED.4694E6A4-0N85256DE2.0057F52C@gdls.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

Last week we had three check-ins:  
K8NWD  
K8CV  
W2SH  
Conditions were not so good.

The Michigan QRP Net Meets each Tuesday night at 9:00 PM Eastern Time on  
3.535 MHz. All hams are welcome.

Ed AB8DF Waterford, MI

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Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 08:09:16 -0800 (PST)  
From: Bob KB2FEL <kb2fel@yahoo.com>  
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Cc: sergio@village-buzz.com  
Subject: [161416] Re: touch lamp woes..  
Message-ID: <20031118160916.711.qmail@web60502.mail.yahoo.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

Hi Sergio,

I have two that flash when I am on 40 meters. They  
use to go on 80, 40 and 30. After moving the antenna  
they now only flash on 40.  
The best fix is to re-wire the lamp. Hard wire it  
with a thumb type switch in the line cord. The switch  
is not expensive and you get to keep the lamp.

72  
Bob

KB2FEL/8

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--- sergio <sergio@village-buzz.com> wrote:
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> my wife has a touch lamp that she uses when she
> reads at night..
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> i recently found out that it turns off and on in
> accordance with the keying
> of my rig.. DANGIT...
>
> any ideas?
>
> thanks!
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> ---
> peace,
> sergio
> www.village-buzz.com - "the village buzz"
> www.coffee-black.com - rock photo!
> http://www.coffee-black.com/join.htm <-- Join
> Picture of the Day!
>
> phone ... 419 606 0557
> to subscribe to The Village Buzz, send a blank email
> to:
> www.amazon.com/o/registry/3L7DM7FMR50QU <- buy me
> some swag!
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Do you Yahoo!?

Protect your identity with Yahoo! Mail AddressGuard  
<http://antispam.yahoo.com/whatsnewfree>

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Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 11:37:00 -0500  
From: Brad Thompson <Brad.Thompson@valley.net>  
To: "Clint Hurd" <discobay@waypt.com>,  
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [161417] Re: Source for RF AGC Amplifier IC  
Message-ID: <5.0.2.1.2.20031118113213.022b6350@pop3.norton.antivirus>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

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>Specs needed

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>AGC control 20db or better

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>Clint - KK7UQ

Hello--

I still have a few of the following used, surplus (and inexpensive)  
subassemblies which  
offer three MC1350s for salvage, along with a crystal filter, a couple of  
"canned"  
oscillators (TCX0 and VCX0).

Questions welcome, and I do have a jpg image of the assembly for your perusal.

73--

Brad AA1IP

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FS: VHF RF assembly for salvage-- these boards formed part  
of a roadside-assistance emergency radio system which  
allegedly used SSB modulation.

Measuring approx. 9 by 7 inches, these PC boards offer  
interesting possibilities for salvage, including two  
"canned" RF oscillator modules (one 10.24 MHz TCX0, and  
another at 152.6375 MHz), a Hertz Technology 10.241895 MHz  
crystal filter, an SBL-1 mixer, an MVA-130 MMIC, and  
approximately 18 ICs including three MC1350 IF amplifiers,  
an MF10CCN switched-capacitor active filter IC, and a  
MC145152P PLL synthesizer. There's also a U-310 JFET or two.

Passive components include two screwdriver-adjustable multiturn  
pots, a dozen shielded inductors, and other through-hole  
parts.

The Oscillatek CX151D26 10.24 MHz TCX0 resides on its own  
PC-board subassembly, along with an LM-317 T0-5 voltage  
regulator which supplies 9 volts to the TCX0. Connections  
to the board are labeled +12 V and AFC in. A length of coax

delivers RF output.

Salvaging should be relatively easy, as these double-sided boards carry a light coating of humidity sealant glaze only on the board's component side. On some boards an easily-peeled dollup of RTV silicone rubber surrounds the MC145152.

Components' manufacturers, types and parts counts vary from board to board, but all include the TCX0. I'm offering these boards "as is" and only for salvage. The price is \$10.00 plus postage for 3 pounds to your QTH.

Please don't hesitate to ask any questions regarding this assembly.

73--

Brad AA1IP

Brad Thompson, Bookseller  
P.O. Box 307  
Meriden, NH 03770-0307

Phone: (603) 469-3351  
E-mail: brad.thompson@valley.net

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Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 11:30:52 -0500  
From: "w8diz" <w8diz@cinci.rr.com>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [161418] Re: Source for RF AGC Amplifier IC  
Message-ID: <008701c3adf1\$55b03240\$b8cf1d41@cinci.rr.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
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Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

----- Original Message -----

From: "Clint Hurd" <discobay@waypt.com>

> Anyone know of a source for the MC1490 or MC1350 IC in small quantity?

Hi Clint et al,

I have a large supply of the MC1349, which is a higher gain version of the MC1350. Take a look at my web site under parts. You will also find 4 PDF format spec sheets documenting the differences between the MC1350 and the MC1349.

72 & "oo's" - Dieter (DIZ) Gentzow - W8DIZ - Loveland, Ohio  
Clermont County - EM79uf - near Cincinnati; 39:13:05N 84:18:18W  
RIG:multiPIG+ ANT:67 FT Vertical Dipole <http://kitsandparts.com>

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Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 11:33:06 -0500  
From: Garey Barrell <k4oah@mindspring.com>  
To: Clint Hurd <discobay@waypt.com>  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [161419] Re: Source for RF AGC Amplifier IC  
Message-ID: <3FBA49C2.8060006@mindspring.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii; format=flowed  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Clint -

<<http://debcoelectronics.com/catpages/productMC1350.html>>

<<http://www.danssmallpartsandkits.net/>>

73, Garey - K40AH  
Atlanta

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> Clint - KK7UQ  
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Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 10:43:23 -0600  
From: "George, W5YR" <w5yr@att.net>  
To: <llachow@yahoo.com>,



"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [161420] Re: Rare FOX sighting!!!  
Message-ID: <00a001c3adf3\$155fe490\$0401a8c0@PS>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"  
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Great!

George

----- Original Message -----

From: "Lloyd Lachow" <llachow@yahoo.com>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Sent: Tuesday, November 18, 2003 9:43 AM  
Subject: Rare FOX sighting!!!

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> I was able to sneak up on this li'l critter last  
> night, as he readied himself to hand out pelts:  
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> <http://f1.pg.briefcase.yahoo.com/bc/llachow/1st?.dir=/FOX+sighting&.view=1>  
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> ...don't be scared. he just LOOKS ferocious. He  
> actually WANTS you to have his pelt.  
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> See you tonight!  
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> Do you Yahoo!?  
> Protect your identity with Yahoo! Mail AddressGuard  
> <http://antispam.yahoo.com/whatsnewfree>

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Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 11:52:14 -0500  
From: "Hare,Ed, W1RFI" <w1rfi@arrl.org>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [161421] RE: a positive sign for BPL  
Message-ID: <721D3436A7C2B344A301FD4A413C71A901735807@kosh.arrlhq.org>  
content-class: urn:content-classes:message  
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Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 08:49:23 -0800  
From: Jim Pruitt <PruittJ@cwu.EDU>  
To: discobay@waypt.com  
Cc: qrp-1@Lehigh.edu  
Subject: [161422] Re: Source for RF AGC Amplifier IC  
Message-ID: <sfb9dd23.091@hermes.cwu.edu>  
MIME-version: 1.0  
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII  
Content-transfer-encoding: 7bit  
Content-disposition: inline

You might try [www.bgmicro.com](http://www.bgmicro.com) and many others have the MC1350. BG Micro has them for 89 cents each in quantities of 1. BG Micro is a good place to buy and has quite a few obsolete parts that are still in the surplus and supply chain. They do not have the MC1490. Jameco ( [www.jameco.com](http://www.jameco.com) ) also has the MC1350 for \$1.29 each. [www.debcoelectronics.com](http://www.debcoelectronics.com) has the MC1350 but it is \$2.99 each. I sometimes check Dalbani ( [www.dalbani.com](http://www.dalbani.com) ) in Florida but I can not get to their site right now and not sure what their quantity breaks and minimums are.

Good luck.

Jim Pruitt

>>> Clint Hurd <[discobay@waypt.com](mailto:discobay@waypt.com)> 11/18/2003 7:53:18 AM >>>  
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Gain 20 db  
AGC control 20db or better

Clint - KK7UQ

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Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 12:04:42 -0500  
From: Jack e wigal <kr8z1@juno.com>  
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU  
Subject: [161423] RE: a positive sign for BPL::::update  
Message-ID: <20031118.120443.-770425.7.kr8z1@juno.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

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Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 12:10:21 -0500  
From: "Noyce, Bill" <william.noyce@hp.com>  
To: <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [161424] Re: Source for RF AGC Amplifier IC  
Message-ID:  
<6D6463F31027B14FB3B1FB094F2C7447047D9FEB@tayexc17.americas.cpqcorp.net>  
Content-class: urn:content-classes:message  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
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Dan's Small Parts & Kits <<http://www.fix.net/dans>>  
has the MC1350 for \$2.25 each, and a shipping  
charge of \$6 for any order up to \$100.

W8DIZ <<http://partsandkits.com/index.asp>> has the  
MC1349, which he lists as a high-gain version of  
the 1350, at 3 pieces for \$3. Specs on his "Parts"  
page, seem to easily meet your criteria.

-- Bill, AB1AV

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Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 17:51:14 +0000  
From: "Bruce Prior" <n7rr@hotmail.com>  
To: unlisted-recipients;; (no To-header on input)  
Subject: [161425] Tilting the Elecraft KX1  
Message-ID: <BAY1-F160Q2bo8AaxcS00015d3e@hotmail.com>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; format=flowed

Let the KX1 mods begin! The principle of using a 3-foot base on the KX1 is a good one. A tripodal base adapts well to a rough operating surface. The bottom of the KX1 also includes two thumbscrews, which are very useful for making the battery compartment easily accessible in the field. However, the stock rubber feet on the KX1 are just barely high enough to keep those thumbscrews from touching a smooth operating surface. For an irregular surface, one or both of the thumbscrews may touch the surface. I first thought I'd replace all three rubber feet with higher ones. Then it dawned on me that I could replace only the back rubber foot with a taller one, which would tilt the KX1 slightly toward the operator as well as lifting those thumbscrews higher. I'm experimenting to find the optimum height. If it's too high, the KXPD1 plug-in keyer paddle won't operate even on a smooth surface, and especially on a rough surface. After I've found just the right combination, I'll probably adjust the angle of the white LED logging light slightly higher.

72,

J. Bruce Prior N7RR  
Kairos Research  
853 Alder Street  
Blaine, WA 98230-8030  
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Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 13:17:37 -0500  
From: Steven Weber <kd1jv@moose.ncia.net>  
To: n1zsw@hotmail.com,

"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [161426] Re: Trail friendly packaging  
Message-ID: <3.0.6.32.20031118131737.007a8320@mailhost.ncia.net>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

>Since the cold weather is about to start I thought I might tinker with  
>putting together  
>next springs trail-package. Some immediate questions arouse:  
>

Hi Ron,

The main consideration is how long and how far is the trip?

If it's a short day hike, couple- five miles round trip at the most, then you have a lot of leway. I usually just put all the gear in a cardboard box which fits it the bottom of my day pack, toss in an antenna, wrist rocket, ect, along with lunch, water bottle and a rain jacket and/or other appropriate cloths for the type of Wx expected.

If it's a one or two night backpacking trip, then the size, weight and packaging of the equipment becomes more of a concern. But not overly so. An extra 5 pounds of stuff isn't too hard to manage on a weekend trip, so long as it's not too bulky.

For backpacking trips longer than a few days, then size, weight and packaging becomes critical. I've come to the conclusion it's best to leave the radio gear home, as you soon realise you would have rather carried more food than radio gear - or less weight. Though on my last hike through Vermont, I realised a small 2M HT would have been handy to get local Wx reports and possibly beg rides into town. An HT would have been a better choice than the HF rig, which I didn't get the chance to use once!

>1. Is plastic cases better than metal?

Plastic is generally lighter than metal. A water tight or resistant case for the sensitive gear is always a good idea.

>2. Better to have components for batt., radio, tuner, swr, watt meter or 1  
>box with all in it?

Personal preference and how much work you want to put into it. It's nice to have everything more or less in one place.

>3. Is there a list of objects that should be in a toolkit for portable work?

A small "leatherman" like tool should be all you need. If you need to do anything more than simple antenna repairs, you pretty much S00L anyway.

>4. Hard better than soft pouch or backpack for carrying equipment?

>

Definately a decent day pack for short trips and an appropriate back pack for longer trips. A walk from the car to a picnic table, anything will work.

Oh, and don't forget, you will generally need something to sit on and something to use as a table when you get to where ever. I carry a piece of ensulite pad to sit on, keeps the old buns dry and warm. I also carry a 1 x 2 foot piece of masonite to use as a lap table to write on.

72,

Steve, KD1JV

"Melt Solder"

White Mountains of New Hampshire

<http://www.qsl.net/kd1jv/>

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Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 10:24:43 -0800

From: John Somerville <forthman@shaw.ca>

To: n1zsw@hotmail.com

Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>

Subject: [161427] Re: Trail friendly packaging

Message-ID: <3FBA63EB.2010104@shaw.ca>

MIME-version: 1.0

Content-type: text/plain; charset=ISO-8859-1; format=flowed

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Ron,

Q. Is plastic cases better than metal?

A. It depends on the temperature, many plastics have a relatively high glass-transition temperature which depends on the type of plastic as well as the fabrication procedure and the associated quality control. Some plastics will shatter on impact well above freezing.

Metal on the other hand will not (usually) get glassy at high temperatures providing any cold bending has not been too severe. Also consider that metal will act as a heat sink, so if you keep it in contact with your body to keep it warm you could end up with frostbite.

Q. Better to have components for batt., radio, tuner, swr, watt meter or 1 box with all in it?

A. I would opt for a tuned antenna and keep it simple.4. Hard better than soft pouch or backpack for carrying equipment?

With respect to tools a small soldering torch may be helpful if it is



not too cold and you can get in out of the wind. If it is really cold you are much better off planing for high reliability, often your ability to use tolls depends on how cold you are. Test your gear in a really cold deep freeze, that will unearth any problems very quickly.

I avoid rigs with LCDs if I expect to encounter temperatures -20 C or below. Such displays become unreliable or just plain quit. Also it is to easy to shatter them even if they are covered with a plastic protective cover. I would avoid ten-turn pots also for really cold weather.

I have used my SW-20 down to -30 C and I quit before it did.

Regards John VE7CFG

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Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 13:35:37 -0500  
From: "Hare,Ed, W1RFI" <w1rfi@arrl.org>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [161428] RE: a positive sign for BPL::::update  
Message-ID: <721D3436A7C2B344A301FD4A413C71A902512059@kosh.arrlhq.org>  
content-class: urn:content-classes:message  
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No, my posts seem to go out that way. It seems to be an ARRL email = server configuration issue. I try to remember to manually insert line feeds, but this is the only reflector that seems to = give me the problem, at least that I know of.

I provided a fix to our IS guys, but they haven't been able to get the = change made yet.

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> From: Jack e wigal [mailto:kr8z1@juno.com]

> Sent: Tuesday, November 18, 2003 12:05 PM

> To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion

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Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 13:53:03 -0500

From: "Charles Mabbott" <aa8vs@msn.com>

To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU

Subject: [161429] Re: touch lamp woes.. and ....

Message-ID: <BAY5-F39tgx8VUKRacU00008739@hotmail.com>

Mime-Version: 1.0

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Nothing is more impressive than three capacitive touch lamps in the same  
room, me in the ham shack checking into a CW net and ..... Don't  
forget the lamps have three way bulbs, as long as we are going for display  
go all the way.

Solution was they finally passed away. Plus I altered my radio habits a bit  
for the benefit of SWMBO

73 Chuck AA8VS

"By all means marry: If you get a good wife,  
you'll become happy; if you get a bad one,

you'll become a philosopher."  
-- Socrates

[www.aa8vs.org/aa8vs](http://www.aa8vs.org/aa8vs)

-----Original Message Follows-----  
From: "Steve Yates - AA5TB" <aa5tb@arrl.net>  
Reply-To: aa5tb@arrl.net  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: Re: touch lamp woes..  
Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 06:34:53 -0600

Sergio,

I agree with George, get rid of the touch lamp. You will also probably find that the touch lamp generates broadband noise roughly 100 kHz wide every 200 kHz, even when it's off (still plugged in of course).

They are so EMI/RFI prone that it is usually more trouble than it is worth to try and cure them. Been there, done that.

73,  
Steve Yates - AA5TB

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Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 14:04:33 -0500  
From: Richard Dell <rxld7@cwru.edu>  
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU  
Subject: [161430] Island Pad Cutter Purchase  
Message-ID: <5.1.1.6.0.20031118135716.00ae87c8@mail.case.edu>  
MIME-version: 1.0  
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Gang,

I need some help in purchasing a Pad cutter from the New Jersey Qrp Club. Initially I sent \$9.00 via PayPal to George Heron's email address and PayPal returned my money saying this address was not verified. i then sent George an email requesting information as to what to do. So far no response. Anyone have this happen ? What did you do to rectify the issue?.

Thanks,

Dick Dell, WD8ISB

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Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 14:29:29 -0700 (MST)  
From: Karl Larsen <k5di@zianet.com>  
To: Lloyd Lachow <llachow@yahoo.com>  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [161431] Re: FOXES for tomorrow night  
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.44.0311181428380.4681-1000000@bucket.dog>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

I wonder what callsign Lloyd plans to use as Fox?

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- Karl Larsen k5di Las Cruces,NM Az ScQRPions -

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Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 16:35:30 -0500  
From: w9ya <w9ya@arrl.net>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [161432] Re: a positive sign for BPL  
Message-ID: <200311181635.30837.w9ya@arrl.net>  
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Um, staying out of the way can be a good game plan. That way you are not blamed when things go wrong. However, by staying out of the way, other people might be hurt that might otherwise get smart and sell out because they didn't have a chance to hear "the other side" of the story.

In some cases it can be wise to help out others and speak up. This might not be one of those occasions, but I have no way of knowing.

One thing I am sure of -> If the stock price will go down, and it is because of corporate mis-management regarding this BPL "initiative" and the resulting fallout when it is not forthcoming, or becomes too expensive to maintain after it is implemented, then the best position for an investor is in another company.

Another thing I am sure of -> Harse words and attitude will not influence investors. Some of what I am reading in press releases from the ARRL has been portrayed as being harse. I hope it really wasn't as harse as I surmise from those press releases.

Very best regards;

Bob  
w9ya

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From: Richard Dell <rxld7@cwru.edu>  
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU  
Subject: [161433] Re: Island Pad Cutter Purchase  
Message-ID: <5.1.1.6.0.20031118162438.00afbde8@mail.case.edu>  
MIME-version: 1.0  
Content-type: text/plain; format=flowed; charset=us-ascii  
Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT

I would like to thank all of the group for their replies and suggestions concerning obtaining a Island Pad Cutter. George also thank George Heron for his reply to me off the list. George I will send you a check, however check PayPal to see what is going on as I just copied your email address from the web site.

73,

Dick, WD8ISB

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Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 14:11:12 -0800  
From: Dick Ballard <ballardr@att.net>  
To: <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [161434] Re: a positive sign for BPL:::update  
Message-ID: <lj5lrv08bs82bh1a62c84t2mt84o1g65eo@4ax.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: quoted-printable

There should be a setting in your email program to wrap long lines. It would be called something like "word wrap".

Dick Ballard  
Beaverton OR  
W7AND

On Tue, 18 Nov 2003 12:04:42 -0500, Jack e wigal <kr8z1@juno.com> wrote:

>Ed Hare's entire message is displayed on one long line on my monitor and  
>I have to scroll across to read it. All other posts are normal. Are u  
>other folks getting the same thing???? Jack kr8z

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Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 14:11:16 -0800  
From: Dick Ballard <ballardr@att.net>  
To: <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [161435] Re: a positive sign for BPL::::update  
Message-ID: <at5lrvgh8ktjelkg509e3i8litsvdjva4@4ax.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: quoted-printable

I prefer that you do not add line feeds. When you do, the word wrap feature in my email client still wraps lines longer than my viewing window and then the next line with the line feed wraps prematurely. This causes a really ragged right margin as long as several words which makes reading a lot slower.

Dick Ballard  
Beaverton OR  
W7AND

On Tue, 18 Nov 2003 13:35:37 -0500, Hare,Ed, W1RFI <w1rfi@arrl.org> wrote:

>No, my posts seem to go out that way. It seems to be an ARRL email =  
server configuration issue. I try to remember to  
>manually insert line feeds, but this is the only reflector that seems to=  
give me the problem, at least that I know of.

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Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 17:43:56 -0500  
From: <bill@n4qa.com>  
To: <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [161436] A couple reasons in support of developing a DDS BFO and a couple for NOT doing same...  
Message-ID: <001301c3ae25\$74435aa0\$d224ad80@f1n5n8>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
                charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Primarily interested in such a BFO for my DSW-series rigs from Small Wonder Labs but \*might\* apply to others, as well.  
Thinking in terms of being able to switch sidebands...having the ability to use other than 800 Hz BFO pitch(might also involve varying bandpass filter center freq)...etc.

Reasons for:

- 1) A BFO whose frequency may be set precisely.
- 2) A BFO whose frequency...once set... stays put.

Right, everthing drifts...some things more than others...  
I'd sorta like to pursue a monolithic dual-DDS (or two monolithic DDS devices) which \*might\* be clocked by the same high-stability reference oscillator...one DDS for xmit freq(mark/space)/rcvr injection and the other DDS for USB/LSB/'Special Duty' etc...

Reasons against:

- 1) Complex...requires processing resources of some kind etc.
- 2) Expensive

Whaddya think (that's Whaddya allow, if from WBGV)

73.  
Bill, N4QA  
<http://www.n4qa.com>

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Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 17:04:26 -0600  
From: "Steve" <sswhite@mchsi.com>  
To: <rx7d@cwru.edu>,  
        "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [161437] Re: Island Pad Cutter Purchase  
Message-ID: <001c01c3ae28\$505b2020\$c801a8c0@workstation>  
MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I just got one from him and sent him money via paypal and had no problems at all, not more than 2 weeks ago.

Steve

----- Original Message -----

From: "Richard Dell" <rxld7@cwru.edu>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Sent: Tuesday, November 18, 2003 1:04 PM  
Subject: Island Pad Cutter Purchase

> Gang,  
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> I need some help in purchasing a Pad cutter from the New Jersey Qrp Club.  
> Initially I sent \$9.00 via PayPal to George Heron's email address and  
> PayPal returned my money saying this address was not verified. i then  
sent  
> George an email requesting information as to what to do. So far no  
> response. Anyone have this happen ? What did you do to rectify the  
issue?..  
>  
> Thanks,  
>  
> Dick Dell, WD8ISB  
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Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 23:19:40 +0000  
From: M Taylor <mctylr@privacy.nb.ca>  
To: Clint Hurd <discobay@waypt.com>  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [161438] Re: Source for RF AGC Amplifier IC  
Message-ID: <20031118231940.A2305@pull.privacy.nb.ca>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Disposition: inline

On Tue, Nov 18, 2003 at 07:53:18AM -0800, Clint Hurd wrote:

> Anyone know of a source for the MC1490 or MC1350 IC in small quantity? Or

A generic answer and tip,

<<http://www.findchips.com/>>

lets you search for parts, and returns suggestions for both the 1490, and 1350, and many other parts. It isn't perfect for \_really\_ obscure parts, but good enough for most ham parts.

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Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 17:25:09 -0600  
From: "Jerry Ford" <benlightnd13@mchsi.com>  
To: "qrp-l" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>, "FPigs" <fpqrp-l@mpna.com>  
Subject: [161439] Thanks for your help:  
Message-ID: <002b01c3ae2b\$35d9d180\$4a78da0c@mchsi.com>

Thanks to everyone for your suggestions for bolts to hold my tower base. After much study ( which I should have done first ) I've decided to sink the bottom tower section in the concrete.

I wanted this thing to be free standing but Rohn says " NO WAY if your using a base plate " So, I pull the info I needed from their web site, gave that to my concrete man, and the tower will be in by next weekend. ( Look out LL I'm go up with a lot of gain )

It will be free standing ( hot dog no guys )( more room for wares )

Anyway, I really appreciate all the advise, suggestions, help.

73 to all and have a good hunt tonight.

Jerry N0JRN

FP # 546, 4SQRP, ARS # 923, ARCI # 11049, ARRL,  
Springfield, Mo. MP + #8  
<http://home.mchsi.com/~n0jrn>

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Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 17:51:46 -0600  
From: "Harvey Mitchell" <hmitchell13@houston.rr.com>  
To: "QRP-L list" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [161440] Kits For Sale  
Message-ID: <001901c3ae2e\$f211fe60\$6400a8c0@houston.rr.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;

charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I have for sale the following kits:

Small Wonder Labs DSW-20, assembled with blue case. Excellent 20 meter QRP rig, works fine. Asking \$135.00 shipped CONUS.

Ramsey 40 meter QRP transmitter kit, Unassembled, including matching case. Unfortunately I have misplaced the manual, but I will include a copy that was downloaded from the Ramsey site. Asking \$30.00 shipped.

Ramsey 40 Meter 20 watt linear amp kit, Unassembled, with matching case. Can be put on other bands by downloading the manuals from the Ramsey website. Asking \$35.00 shipped CONUS.

Info on the Ramsey kits is available at [www.ramseyelectronics.com](http://www.ramseyelectronics.com) .

Will package both Ramsey kits for \$60.00 shipped CONUS. Will also consider trades and/or offers.

Thanks & 72,

Harvey, K5YU  
Seabrook, TX

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Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2003 17:54:38 -0600  
From: "George, W5YR" <w5yr@att.net>  
To: <k5di@zianet.com>,  
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [161441] Re: FOXES for tomorrow night  
Message-ID: <023601c3ae2f\$54607790\$0401a8c0@PS>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Probably his own: K3ESE.

George

----- Original Message -----  
From: "Karl Larsen" <k5di@zianet.com>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Sent: Tuesday, November 18, 2003 3:29 PM

Subject: Re: FOXES for tomorrow night

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> I wonder what callsign Lloyd plans to use as Fox?  
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> - Karl Larsen k5di Las Cruces, NM Az ScQRPions -  
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